it is based to the Director. Should such order be subsequently set aside on review by the courts, the district director will so advise the Director.

[21 FR 1441, Mar. 6, 1956. Redesignated at 40 FR 16835, Apr. 15, 1975, and amended by T.D. ATF-199, 50 FR 9197, Mar. 6, 1985; T.D. ATF-374, 61 FR 29957, June 13, 1996]

§200.110 Proceedings involving violations not within region of issuance of permit.

In the event violations occurred at a place not within the region of issuance of a permit, the district director of the region of issuance will take jurisdiction over any proceeding including issuing the citation, and taking appropriate action in accordance with § 200.108.

[T.D. ATF-244, 51 FR 45764, Dec. 22, 1986, as amended by T.D. ATF-374, 61 FR 29957, June 13, 1996]

Subpart I—Review

§200.115 Appeal on petition to the Director.

An appeal to the Director is required prior to application to the Federal courts for review. An appeal may be taken by the applicant or respondent or by the district director. Such appeal shall be taken by filing a petition for review on appeal with the Director within 15 days of the service of the order disapproving an application for a permit or the initial decision suspending, revoking or annulling a permit. The petition must set forth facts tending to show action of an arbitrary nature, or action without reasonable warrant in fact, or action contrary to law and regulations. A copy of the petition shall be filed with the district director or served on the respondent or applicant as the case may be. In the event of such appeal, the district director shall immediately certify and forward the complete original record, by certified mail, to the Director, for his consideration and review.

[T.D. ATF-244, 51 FR 45764, Dec. 22, 1986, as amended by T.D. ATF-374, 61 FR 29957, June 13, 1996]

§200.116 Review by Director.

The Director, on appeal on petition for review, shall afford a reasonable opportunity for the submission of proposed findings, conclusions or exceptions with reasons in support thereof and an opportunity for oral argument. He may alter or modify any finding of the administrative law judge (or of the district director in application proceedings) and may affirm, reverse, or modify the decision of the administrative law judge (or of the district director in initial application proceedings), or he may remand the case for further hearing, but he shall not consider evidence which is not a part of the record. Appeals and petitions for review shall not be decided by the Director in any proceeding in which he has engaged in investigation or prosecution, and in such event he shall so state his disqualification in writing and refer the record to the Under Secretary for appropriate action. The Under Secretary may designate an Assistant Secretary or one of his principal aides to consider any proceeding instead of the Director. The original copy of the decision on review shall be placed in the official record of the proceeding, a signed duplicate original shall be served upon the applicant or respondent and a copy shall be transmitted to the district director. When, on appeal, the Director affirms the decision of the district director or the administrative law judge, as the case may be, disapproving an application or suspending, revoking or annulling a permit, such action shall not supersede the decision of the district director or the administrative law judge and such decision shall be final.

(26 U.S.C. 7805 (68A Stat. 917), 27 U.S.C. 205 (49 Stat. 981 as amended), 18 U.S.C. 926 (82 Stat. 959), and Sec. 38, Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2778, 90 Stat. 744))

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§ 200.117 Permit privileges, exceptions.

Pending final determination of any timely appeal in revocation, suspension, or annulment proceeding to the Director, the permit involved shall continue in force and effect except